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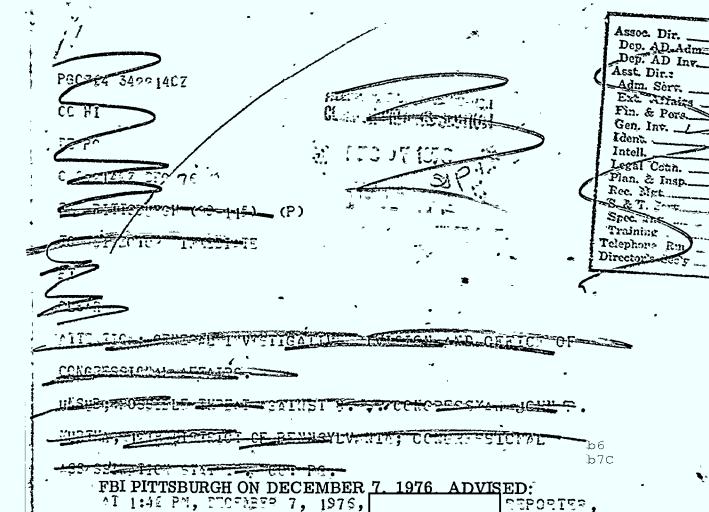
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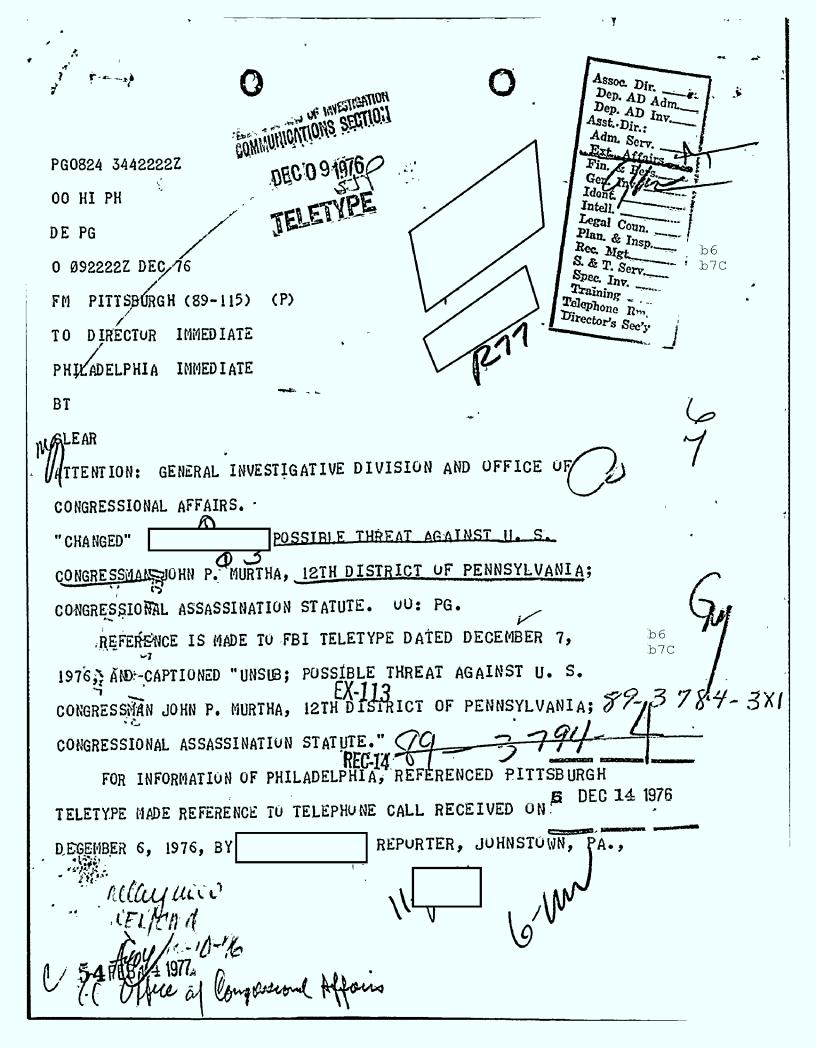
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CONGRESSMAN MURTHA'S JOHNSTOWN, PA., OFFICE HAS BEEN ALERTED TO POSSIBILITY THAT THREATENING LETTER FROM UNSUB MAY BE RECEIVED IN NEXT DAY OR TWO AND THAT IF THIS IS THE CASE, THAT SUCH LETTER SHOULD BE CAREFULLY PROTECTED FOR FBI LABORATORY EXAMINATION

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U. S. CONGRESSMAN JOHN P. MURTHA, 12TH DISTRICT OF

PENNSYLVANIA; CONGRESSIONAL ASSASSINATION STATUTE."

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No further investigation being conducted by Pittsburgh

Division in this matter, however, it should be noted that

is currently considered subject in investigation

reported in referenced Pittsburgh report captioned, "UNSUB;

- VCTIM, EXTORTION, OO: PITTSBURGH," and
that matter is currently under prosecutive consideration
by the U. S. Attorney's Office, Western District of Pennsylvania,
Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Information copy provided to Philadelphia and Washington Field Divisions in view of investigative interests in this matter.

IN VIEW OF STATEMENTS CONCERNING HIS INTENDED USE OF A SHOTGUN, HIS INTENTION TO COMMIT SUICIDE, HE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS, WITH SUICIDAL TENDENCIES.



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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

December 17, 1976

POSSIBLE THREAT AGAINST U. S. CONGRESSMAN JOHN P. MURTHA 12TH DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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On December 7, 1976, Reporter, Johnstown, Pa., "Tribune - Democrat", advised a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation as follows:

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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, ,	Reporter, Johnstown, Pennsylvania,
	"Tribune-Democrat," telephonically advised SA
t	of the following information:
	indicated that at approximately 3:00 PM b6
	on Monday, December 6, 1976, she had received a telephone call from an individual who refused to identify himself
	by name. This individual indicated that he had been having
	difficulties with a local car dealership and that this dealer-
	ship had recently taken his car for no apparent reason.
•	He advised this dealership also has \$800 of his money.
	The individual advised that he had contacted several attorneys, however, no one had been willing to help him
Tr.	in this matter. advised that approximately half
. '	way through this conversation, the individual related to
	her that he had a 12 guage shotgun at home and was going
	to begin to shoot people, not to kill them, but merely to
Г	main them. related that the names Attorney aformer
, L	Alderman in Johnstown, Pa., were mentioned by this individual.
	He also advised that he had sent a threatening letter
	to "The Congressman," but indicated he did not specify
	Congressman JOHN P. MURTHA and to the best of her recollection,
•	did not make any direct threats against Congressman MURTHA.
	indicated that she recalled that he had
	stated that he had previously contacted the Legal Aid in
-	Pittsburgh, Pa., and mentioned that he intended on going
	to Pittsburgh, Pa., "this coming Saturday" to see if he
	could get some relief for his problem. He advised that he would call her back following his visit to Pittsburgh.
	that he would call her back tollowing his visit to Pietsburgh.
	stated that through the process of contacting
	individuals mentioned in this above described telephone
	conversation, she had determined that one
	a resident of Johnstown, Pa., has had problems with an automotive
	transmission company, dating back for several years and that has complained in the past of being unable to
	obtain any legal redress or assistance in connection with
	this matter. related that in view of this, she
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felt there was a possibility may have been the individual who made the telephone call on December 6, 1976.

advised that she had notified Captain of the Johnstown, Pa., Police Department and also Congressman JOHN P. MURTHA's office about the above facts.

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12TH DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

The following individuals were advised on December 7, 1976, of the foregoing information by the Pittsburgh Office of the FBI:

	Detective Johnstown, Pa., Police Department	b6 b7C	
	Westmont Borough, Pa., Police Department	٥/١٥.	
	Corporal Pennsylvania State Police Ebensburg, Pa. Cambria County		~
Ε	U. S. Secret Service Pittsburgh, Pa.		t
	Secretary Office of Congressman John P. Murtha Johnstown, Pa.	•	
Office Bui of this ma and could	On December 7 and December 8, 1976, ative Assistant to Congressman Murtha, 431 Caliding, Washington, D. C., was advised of the atter by the Washington Field Office of the Previewed Congressman Murtha's office archive not locate any letters or other references to the individual who had spoken on the telep	e facts FBI. es possibly	.b6
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Department, Investigations, and Detective
Metropolitan Police Department, Intelligence, were contacted and advised of the details of this matter.

On December 9, 1976,

Johnstown, Pa., "Tribune - Democrat", advised a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation as follows:

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	Reporter, J "Tribune - Democrat", was interviewe and furnished the following informat	ohnstown, Pa., d at her place of employment ion:
	indicated that she call on December 8, 1976, from an in as being identical to an individual on December 6, 1976.	had received a telephone dividual she identified who had telephoned her
	indicated that the as and furnished his Jonumber as	caller identified himself hnstown, Pa., telephone
•	conversation complained about that he had gotten from local car de the course of the telephone call, ad had decided to commit suicide next whis present Attorney,	that he eek in the office of Johnstown, Pa. Johnstown, Pa. it about this, indicating office, slashing his leeding all over the Attorney jif he still planned
•	he had sent letters to Governor MILTO and Senator RICHARD S. SCHWEIKER of razor blade enclosed in each letter to these individuals his intention of	Pennsylvania with a for the purpose of demonstrating
	about Congressman JOHN P. MURTHA, 12 of Pennsylvania during this conversa	did not mention anything th Congressional District
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It is noted that public source material reflects resides at Johnstown, Pa. The Cambria County Credit Bureau, Inc., Johnstown, Pa., records reflect is 54 years of age, single, employed by as a Machine Operator, and	-
The following individuals were advised on December 9, 1976, of the foregoing information by the Pittsburgh Office of the FBI:	7C
United States Secret Service Pittsburgh, Pa.	
Captain Johnstown, Pa., Police Department	
On December 10, 1976, Attorney Johnstown Pa., was advised.	,
It should be noted that in July, 1976, Attorney-At-Law, Windber, Pa., received through the United States Mail, one "jiffy" utility bag. The bag contained a birthday card containing a printed birthday greeting, after which there was pasted newspaper print reading, "If you live that long". The bag also contained one expended 12 gauge shotgun shell. This matter was discussed with United States Attorney's Office, Western District of Pennsylvania Pittsburgh, Pa., and is currently under investigation by the Pittsburgh Office of the FBT.	a,

POSSIBLE THREAT AGAINST U. S. CONGRESSMAN JOHN P. MURTHA 12TH DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA In view of the fact that had mentioned possessing a 12 gauge and had made a threat against to to Reporter, Johnstown, Pa., "Tribune - Democrat", b7c the facts of this matter were presented to Assistant U. Western District of Pennsylvania, S. Attorney Pittsburgh, Pa:, who authorized the filing on December 10, of an affidavit for 1976, by Special Agent a search warrant. On December 10, 1976, William L. Glosser, United States Magistrate, Western District of Pennsylvania, Johnstown, Pa., issued a search warrant for the premises Johnstown, Pa. On December 10, 1976, a search warrant was served the residence of However, no shotgun, other weapon or evidence relating to this matter was located. was not at home at the time the warrant was served, however, subsequent to the service of the search telephonically contacted the Johnstown warrant, __ Office of the FBI and advised he wished to talk with a Special b6 Agent of the FBI. b7C On December 10, 1976, was interviewed and furnished the following information:

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Pa. , was contacted at his re	sidence and advised of the identities
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by display of credentials.	SA advised the purpose iew him with regard to telephone
calls he had made to	Johnstown, Pa. "Tribune -
Democrat ⁿ , in which various	threats were made by b6
SA advised of ce	rtain rights as reflected on byc.
the "Interrogation; Advice o	f Rights" form which he read,
indicated he understood, how	talk with the interviewing Agents
and would answer any question	ns. was interviewed and
furnished the following info	rmation:
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	he had called
Reporter, Johnstown, Pa., "I	ribune - Democrat" on December 6, vised that he had called her
to complain about problems h	e had been having with Whalley
Ford in Windber, Pa., and th	at he had contacted several
 Attorneys, none of whom had 	given him satisfactory representation.
indicated he	had told he was going
to take a 12 gauge shotgun a	nd "blow some people away" relating
he had said this only for th	e purpose of "getting a hornets
nest stirred-up". He also a	dmitted he had told her he was $\frac{50}{570}$
	rder to "get a hornets nest
stirred-up". denied; of killing or harming anyone	however, that he had any intention
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advised he d	oes not own or have possession
of a shotgun or any other ty	pe of weapon.
advised that	he had never mentioned anything
about Congressman JOHN P. MUI	RTHA of Johnstown, Pa., during
either telephone conversation	n. He advised that he had told $\frac{50}{570}$
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indicated this letter was definitely not threatening in nature.

also advised that he had sent a letter to Governor MILTON SHAPP of Pennsylvania and Senator SCHWEIKER of Pennsylvania with a razor blade enclosed in each letter just to "get their attention".

should immediately cease and desist his past activities of making threats against other individuals and should continue to attempt to solve his problems through normal legal channels.

The following description was obtained through observation and interview:

Name
Race
Sex
Address

Date of Birth
Social Security
Account
Height
Weight

Caucasian
Johnstown, Pa.

170 pounds

Height Weight Hair Eyes Facial Hair Miscellaneous

Marital Status

Dark brown and curly Brown Long sideburns and mustache Wears gold wire rimmed

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U. S. CONGRESSMAN JOHN P. MURTHA
12TH DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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PURPOSE:

To record information received from Congressman Murtha's office concerning threat on Congressman's life.

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Administrative Assistant to Congressman Murtha, telephonically advised SA of the Legal Counsel Division on 12/7/76 that he had received a phone a reporter for the "Johnstown_Tribune call from related that she had received an anonymous Democrat. phone call from a male indicating that he was planning to kill indicated that the caller was Congressman Murtha. upset as a result of a dispute concerning the purchase of an did not have all of the information in automobile. concerning this matter and asked if the possessión of He was advised we would do so. the FBI would contact her. also stated that staff members of the Congressman's office were going to review constituent requests to see if they could identify potential suspects in this matter and would promptly advise the UE-39 FBI of same. REC- 87 ASAC, Pittsburgh, Jesse R. Hagy, was apprised of the afore-going information advised he would immediately -have -anand would advise the Secret Service and Agent contact 23 DEG 13 1976 other appropriate authorities of the threat/ of the General Investigative Division was also advised.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

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On December 7 and 9, 1976,

Reporter, Johnstown, Pennsylvania, "Tribune-Democrat,"
furnished the following information:

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ENCLOSURE

POSSIBLE THREAT AGAINST U. S. CONGRESSMAN JOHN P. MURTHA, 12TH DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA. Senator Richard S. Schweiker received a handwritten through the U.S. Mail in an letter signed by ____ envelope postmarked Johnstown, Pennsylvania, and dated November 22, 1976. Senator Schweiker's office turned this letter over to the Federal Bureau of Investigation headquarters in Washington, D. C. This letter contained a razor blade. This letter was subsequently provided to the Pittsburgh b7C Division of the FBI. Pennsylvania State Police Captain (PSP), Regimental Headquarters, Harrisburg, Pa., stated that his organization presently has a case pending involving wherein a letter was sent by to Governor Milton Shapp of Pennsylvania. On January 7, 1977, the facts of this matter were Western discussed with AUSA District of Pennsylvania (WDPA), Pittsburgh, Pa. AUSA advised that he would render a prosecutive opinion in this matter after reading the letter which I had sent to Senator Schweiker's office. On January 26, 1977, after reading the letter sent to Senator Schweiker's office, Washington, D.C., by declined Federal prosecution in this matter AUSA | indicating that the letter did not meet the standards of the Federal Extortion Statute, in that it contained no specific threats against Senator Schweiker or anyone else. b6 b7C On February 2, 1977, Captian Johnstown, Pa., PD, was advised of the facts in this matter and shown the letter which had been received by Senator advised that his Schweiker's office. Captain ____ agency had no interest in obtaining this letter for the purpose of pursuing any local prosecution against

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